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**Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application**  
**for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

Box Patent Application  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventor(s):  
Andreas Manz, D. Jed Harrison, and Carlo S. Effenhauser, and entitled:

**METHOD FOR CONTROLLING SAMPLE INTRODUCTION IN MICROCOLUMN SEPARATION TECHNIQUES  
AND SAMPLING DEVICE**

1. Enclosed are:

- ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp
- ☒ Certificate of Express Mail
- ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-15 and
  - ☒ 2 Sheets of drawings
- ☒ Copy of executed Declaration of Inventorship from parent application  
Serial No. 08/226,605
- ☒ Petition to Make Special for New Application Under MPEP §708.02 VIII
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment and Information Related to Request to  
Make Application Special
- ☒ Statement Regarding Preexamination Search in Connection with Petition  
to Make Special
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement Accompanying Petition to Make Special  
and Form PTOL-1449

2. Amendment

- ☒ Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment before calculating the  
filing fee. It is understood that only amendments reducing the number  
of claims will be entered for this purpose.

3. Extension of Time

- ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is  
requested to provide for timely filing if required to establish  
copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been  
considered.

4. U.S. Priority

- ☒ This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/226,605  
filed April 12, 1994.

5. Foreign Priority

- ☐ Priority of Application No. filed in on is claimed under 35 USC §119.  
☐ A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

6. Prior Documents Still In Effect

- ☒ This application and parent application Serial No. 08/226,605 filed April 12, 1994 are assigned of record to Ciba-Geigy Corporation, as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 8196 and Frame 0621.

7. Entity Status

- ☐ Large entity status applies to this application.  
☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27

8. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

	(Col. 1) No. Filed	(Col. 2) No. Extra	Small Entity			Other Than a Small Entity	
			Rate	Fee		Rate	Fee
Basic Fee				\$355.00	or		\$710.00
Total Claims	3 - 20	0	x \$ 9 =	\$	or	x \$ 18 =	\$0
Independent Claims	1 - 3	0	x \$40 =	\$	or	x \$ 80 =	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim Presented			+ \$135 =	\$	or	+ \$270 =	\$
* If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.							
TOTAL				\$355.00	or	TOTAL	\$

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$485.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee and Petition to Make Special. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account 04-0531.

Respectfully submitted,

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